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**ADVICE LETTER 1816-E**  
(U 902-E)

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION TO RELOCATE EXISTING 69 kV TRANSMISSION AND 12 kV DISTRIBUTION LINES IN THE SAN DIEGUITO LAGOON IN THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON'S MITIGATION WETLAND RESTORATION FOR ITS SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION (SONGS) PROJECT**

**Purpose**

This relocation project is part of a larger wetland mitigation project proposed by Southern California Edison (SCE) to restore wetland habitats in the coastal area of Del Mar and San Diego and includes the relocation of one 69 kilovolt (kV) transmission tie line and one 12 kV distribution circuit currently traversing through the wetland area.

San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) hereby submits, pursuant to General Order (G.O.) 131-D, Section XI, Subsection B.4 a notice of construction to relocate one existing 69 kV transmission line, which is exempt from a Permit to Construct (PTC) and one 12 kV distribution line.

This informational Advice Letter provides a copy of the Notice of Proposed Construction (Attachment A) and the Notice Distribution List (Attachment B) complying with the noticing requirements found in G.O. 131-D, Section XI, Subsections B and C.

This relocation project is exempt from G.O. 131-D Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) requirements because all of the applicable facilities operate below 200 kV. This project is exempt from G.O. 131-D Permit to Construct (PTC) requirements because the 69 kV line falls under Sections III(B)(1)(f), and, as described below, does not trigger any exceptions to those exemptions. The 12 kV line is below 50 kV and thus is also not subject to a PTC.

**Description of Proposed Construction**

**Purpose and General Description**

The purpose of this project is to relocate one 69 kV tie line and one 12 kV circuit crossing through a portion of the San Dieguito Lagoon Wetland Mitigation project area in the City of San Diego to a new location running along the eastern, northern and northwestern perimeter of the wetlands.

The project relocates approximately 5000 feet of 69 kV Tie Line 667 and 12kV Circuit 511 to accommodate the SONGS San Dieguito Lagoon Wetland Mitigation project in San Diego, California. The Tie Line/Circuit will be relocated to the eastern, northern and northwestern perimeter of the wetlands. The wetlands mitigation project is a portion of Southern California Edison's mitigation of the SONGS project located in Orange County.

### Project Description

SDG&E proposes to relocate approximately 5000 feet of Tie Line 667/Circuit 511 currently crossing the San Dieguito Lagoon wetland mitigation area to a new location running approximately 6700 feet along the eastern, northern and northwestern perimeter of the wetlands area.

SDG&E anticipates a construction period of approximately two months to complete the proposed relocation.

### Potential Environmental Impacts

The San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority reviewed the SONGS Wetlands Mitigation project and potential environmental impacts as part of The San Dieguito Wetland Restoration Project and prepared an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement ("EIR/EIS") in compliance with CEQA. The State Clearinghouse Number for the EIR/EIS dated Sept. 15, 2000, is 98061010. The results of the final EIR/EIS (certified September 15, 2000, by the San Dieguito River Park Board of Directors) found that the wetlands restoration project and the associated electric transmission line relocation would not create any significant immitigable incremental or cumulative environmental effects. The EIR/EIS was circulated for public review from September 15 through October 15, 2000. Further, the final EIR/EIS found that the electric transmission line relocation component of the wetland mitigation project would not trigger any exceptions to the exemptions from a PTC, as described in G.O. 131-D(III)(B)(2).

No cost information is required for this advice filing.

This informational filing will not result in an increase in any rate or charge, conflict with any rate schedule or rules, nor cause the withdrawal of service or result in more restrictive conditions.

### **Magnetic Field Management:**

Pursuant to Decisions 93-11-013 (D.93-11-013) and 06-01-042 (D06-01-042), the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) requires utilities to employ "no-cost" and "low-cost" magnetic field management techniques on projects to reduce public exposure to magnetic fields. SDG&E will consider and implement magnetic field management techniques on this project, as appropriate, in accordance with SDG&E's "EMF Design Guidelines for Electrical Facilities," as filed with the CPUC in compliance with D.93-11-013 and updated in compliance with D.06-01-042. "Low cost" is defined by the CPUC as "in the range of 4% of the total cost of a budgeted project," and to be implemented must result in at least 15% magnetic field reduction at the edges of the utility right-of-way. An SDG&E Magnetic Field Management Plan for this project is available upon request.

**Effective Date**

Because this Advice Letter is being filed in accordance with the noticing requirements described in G.O. 131-D, Section XI, Subsection B.4, no resolution is required for approval. Therefore, SDG&E requests that this advice filing become effective on the 30<sup>th</sup> calendar day after the date filed, which is September 1, 2006.

**Protest**

Anyone may protest this Advice Letter to the CPUC. The protest must state the grounds upon which it is based, including such items as financial and service impact, and should be submitted expeditiously. The protest must be made either in writing or by facsimile and received within 20 days of the date this Advice Letter appears in the CPUC calendar. There is no restriction on who may file a protest. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

IMC Branch Chief  
Energy Division  
California Public Utilities Commission  
505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 4002  
San Francisco, CA 94102

A copy should also be mailed to the Energy Division-IMC Branch, Room 4005 (at the address shown above). It is also requested that a copy of the protest be sent via both e-mail and facsimile to SDG&E on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission (at the address shown below).

Attn: Rebecca W. Giles  
Regulatory Case Administrator  
San Diego Gas and Electric – CP32D  
8330 Century Park Court  
San Diego, CA 92123-1550  
Facsimile No. (858) 654-1788  
E-mail: RGiles@semprautilities.com

**Notice**

G.O. 131-D, Section XI, Subsection B. requires that this Advice Letter be filed not less than 30 days before the date such construction is intended to begin. SDG&E intends to begin construction no sooner than September 19, 2006. In accordance with Section III.G of G.O. 96-A, SDG&E has, on August 2, 2006, served a copy of this filing on the parties shown on the attached list including the parties listed in G.O. 131-D, Section XI, Paragraphs B.1. and B.2., by providing them a copy hereof, either electronically or via the U.S. mail, properly stamped and addressed. A copy of the attached Notice will also be posted on site in accordance with G.O. 131-D, Section XI. Paragraph B.3.

Address changes should be directed to Christina Sondrini of San Diego Gas and Electric by facsimile at (858) 654-1788 or by e-mail at [csondrini@semprautilities.com](mailto:csondrini@semprautilities.com).

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General Order No. 96-A, Sec. III. G.  
ADVICE LETTER FILING MAILING LIST

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Interested Parties

G.O. 131-D

**Attachment A  
NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION**

**Project Name: PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION TO RELOCATE EXISTING 69 kV TRANSMISSION AND 12 kV DISTRIBUTION LINES FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON'S SONGS WETLAND RESTORATION MITIGATION AREA IN THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO CALIFORNIA**

**Date: August 2, 2006**

**SDG&E Advice Letter Number: 1816-E**

**Proposed Project:**

The purpose of this project is to relocate one 69 kilovolt (kV) tie line (line 667) and one 12 kV line (Circuit 511) that cross through a portion of the San Dieguito Lagoon Wetland Mitigation project area in San Diego, California, to a new location running along the eastern, northern and northwestern perimeter of the wetlands. The relocation is proposed to accommodate Southern California Edison's (SCE) wetland restoration mitigation required for its San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) project in Orange County.

The project relocates approximately 5000 feet of Line 667 and Circuit 511 to accommodate the SONGS San Dieguito Lagoon Wetland Mitigation in San Diego, California. The Tie Line/Circuit will be relocated to the eastern, northern and northwestern perimeter of the wetlands.

**Magnetic Field Management:**

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**Exemption from CPUC Authority:**

This project is exempt from General Order 131-D Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) requirements because all of the applicable facilities operate below 200 kV. This project is exempt from G.O. 131-D Permit to Construct (PTC) requirements because the 69 kV line falls under Sections III(B)(1)(f) and does not trigger any exceptions to those exemptions, and the 12 kV line is not subject to PTC requirements. The project has undergone environmental review pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as part of The San Dieguito Wetland Restoration Project Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (FEIR/EIS), State Clearinghouse Number

98061010, certified September 15, 2000. The environmental review found no significant immitigable impacts associated with the proposed relocation activities.

**Public Review Process:**

Persons or groups may protest the proposed construction if they believe the utility has incorrectly applied for an exemption or believe there is a reasonable possibility that the proposed project or cumulative effects or unusual circumstances associated with the project may adversely impact the environment. Pursuant to CPUC GO 131-D, Section XIII, protests must be filed within 20 calendar days of the date notice of this informational Advice Letter appears in the CPUC Calendar. All protests must be filed formally at the CPUC and SDG&E concurrently in accordance with the CPUC's Rules of Practice and Procedure to those listed below.

California Public Utilities  
Commission  
Docket Office, Room 2001  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
AND

Rebecca W. Giles  
SDG&E  
Regulatory Affairs  
8330 Century Park Ct.  
San Diego, CA 92123  
AND

Ken Lewis  
California Public Utilities  
Commission  
Energy Division  
505 Van Ness Avenue,  
Rm. 4002  
San Francisco, CA 94102

For assistance in filing a protest, please call the CPUC's Public Advisor in Los Angeles at [1-866-849-8391](tel:1-866-849-8391) OR e-mail: [public.advisor.la@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:public.advisor.la@cpuc.ca.gov).

To request further information, please contact: J.C. Thomas, Public Affairs Manager, San Diego Gas & Electric Company at 858-654-6402 OR e-mail: [jthomas@semprautilities.com](mailto:jthomas@semprautilities.com).

**Attachment B**

**Advice Letter 1816 -E**

**Notice Distribution List**

**PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION TO RELOCATE EXISTING 69 kV TRANSMISSION  
AND 12 kV DISTRIBUTION LINES IN THE SAN DIEGUITO LAGOON FOR SCE'S  
SONGS MITIGATION**

**California Public Utilities Commission**

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City of Del Mar  
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City of San Diego  
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**San Dieguito River Park**

San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority  
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San Dieguito River Park  
18372 Sycamore Creek Road  
Escondido CA 92025

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**California Energy Commission**

Steve Larson

Executive Director

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**Newspapers of General Circulation**

San Diego Union-Tribune

North County Times

**Neighborhood Notification**

The Attachment A Notice will be posted in public viewing areas such as on SDG&E utility poles, along the existing overhead and the new routes.